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Applicant: ANDREAS W. MAESTLE

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for filing and the filing fee is calculated below:

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XX A check in the amount of \$18.00 is enclosed.

XX The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #2091/49088). A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #2091/49088).

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

February 14, 2001

Sir:

The following amendments are submitted preliminarily to an action on the merits of the above-identified application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

(A copy of the marked up version of the specification as amended is attached as an appendix to this amendment).

Page 62, first full paragraph is amended as follows:

As with Type 1 Variable Inputs, the user can set in the software the percentage of down payment, the average time from order to delivery and the average time from receipt to payment. In addition, the user is allowed to shift part of the cash flow risks to the supplier. This is done through a deferral - credit mechanism. The company pays the full contract price but receives a loan from the supplier equal to the deferred amount. The

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